

Parish of Bangor, Member of Ards Pastoral Community

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

This week:

Bangor:

Vigil 6.30pm;

Sun 10.30am & 12.30pm

Donaghadee:

Sun 9.30am.

Ballyholme:

Sun 11am.

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## Weekday Mass Times:

### Bangor:

Monday - Friday 9.30am.

### Ballyholme:

Mon & Fri 9am.

## Confessions:

**Bangor:** Sat 5.30 pm.

## Weekend Mass in the Pastoral Communities

**Holywood:** Vigil 6.30pm;  
Sun 10am & 12noon.

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Newtownards:
Vigil 6.30pm; Sun 11.30am.

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**Comber:** Sun 10.00am.

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Baptisms: 1st and 3rd
Sunday of the Month at
2pm. Register online at
www.bangorparish.com
under

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**Sacramental Preparation.**  
2 month's notice required.

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Marian Prayer Group
Meet every Thursday
evening for 1 hour. 6.30-
7.30pm. Meditation on the
Rosary for the unborn,
Divine Mercy Chaplet &
Prayer Petitions/
Thanksgivings.

PERPETUAL EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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St Comgall's Church,  
Bangor. **Every** Monday  
10.30am to 9.30pm

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The **Bible Study**
Group will resume on
Thursday 9th May at
7.30pm in the Pastoral
Centre in St Dymphna's
Room. All welcome
come and see!

Third Sunday of Easter - 5 May 2019

DAILY VOCATIONS NOVENA

(to be said privately with family & friends)

DAY ONE: Thursday 2nd May – Jeremiah 1:4-9

– *The Calling of Jeremiah*

DAY TWO: Friday 3rd May – John 15:9-17

– *You are my friends*

DAY THREE: Saturday 4th May – Luke 1:21-36

– *The calling of Mary*

DAY FOUR: Sunday 5th May – Ephesians 4:1-9,11-13

– *Unity in the Body of Christ*

DAY FIVE: Monday 6th May – Luke 5:1-11

– *Jesus calls the first disciples*

DAY SIX: Tuesday 7th May – John 20:1-18

– *Sharing the Good News of the Risen Christ*

DAY SEVEN: Wednesday 8th May – Mark 10:17-27

– *The rich young man*

DAY EIGHT: Thursday 9th May – Matthew 9:35-37

– *The harvest is great, the labourers few*

DAY NINE: Friday 10th May – John 10:27-30

– *The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice*

Vocations Prayer

Lord, make me a better person, more considerate towards others, more honest with myself, more faithful to you. Make me generous enough to want to do your will, whatever it may be. Help me find my true vocation in life and grant that through it, I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others. Amen.

Seeing Your Life Through the Lens of the Gospel of John 21:1-19

1. The disciples spend a fruitless night, fishing and catching nothing. Things change dramatically when Jesus appears and invites them to try again. Remember those who came to you and encouraged you to try again when you felt discouraged. Perhaps on some of these occasions the results were beyond your expectations.
2. The story can serve as a reminder that sometimes we are wasting our time if we try to work on our own without the Lord's help. When have you found that your work or life was more fruitful when you acknowledged that you needed God's help and you spoke to God about your need?
3. After his denials during the passion, Peter is given the chance to be fully reconciled with his Master. Remember those who have given you an opportunity for reconciliation after you had hurt them or let them down. What was it like for you to be given this chance? To whom have you offered the possibility of reconciliation

John Byrne OSA, E: jbpbymeosa@gmail.com



Your prayers are requested for:

Recently Deceased: Annie McHugh, Elizabeth McKinley.

Anniversaries:

Sarah McKeown, Maureen Coyle, John Coyle, Jim Morrow, Marie Coulter, Daniel Carvill, Patrick McSherry, Pauline McSherry, Sadie O'Kelly, Norman McMaw, Mary Delargy, James McMahan, Catherine Martin, Joe Boyle, Bernard O'Hara, Michael Withington.

St Vincent de Paul
Helpline 077 0367 9384

Support for the Bereaved If you need to talk to someone about your bereavement, a member of the Bethany Bereavement Support Group can be contact on the Confidential mobile number: 075 1085 2157

WELCOME ROTA DURING MAY

6.30pm Mass – Doreen Coran & Patricia Connery
10.30am Mass – Charlie Taylor & Elaine Le Mahieu
12.30pm Mass – Marian Murray & Charlie Mc Mullan

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY! AND OTHER NOTICES....

For inclusion in the Bulletin Notices, notices need to be in to the Parish Office before 1pm on Wednesdays.

All weekend Anniversary Mass intentions for St Comgall's Church, Brunswick Rd, and the Most Holy Redeemer Church, Ballyholme need to be booked through the parish office during office hours.

NO Holy Hour in
SAINT COMGALLS DONAGHADEE
in the month of May.

SATURDAY 4TH MAY

Lough Derg One Day Retreats continues Saturday 11th, 12th, 14th, 19th, 21st, 25th, 26th and 27th. Why not take some time and space on Lough Derg personally or as a parish group this May? A NEW event for those who serve in lay parish ministry, is our Parish Ministry Day Saturday 18th May. Booking essential. Tel: 0(0353) 71 9861518. Email: info@loughderg.org Web: www.loughderg.org

SIGN UP – WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY

St Comgall's Parish Youth Club are running a **Summer Scheme for 2 weeks**: 1 - 5 July and 29 July - 2 August. Cost £80 per week - limited places Age Group: 10+ Sign up in Parish Centre on Wednesday 8 May from 6.30 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY 10TH MAY

Traditional Music Night hosted by the McClean Family The Imperial (Upstairs Function Room) Central Avenue Bangor. Starts at 7.30pm. Cost £7.50 includes supper.

SATURDAY 11TH MAY

Living Church - Children's Liturgy Development Day: The Living Church will host its third and final 2018/19 Development Day for Leaders of Children's Liturgy of the Word from 9.30am-3.30pm in the Living Church Offices at 120, Cliftonville Road, Belfast BT14 6LA. **Cora O' Farrell**, will be our guest speaker. Cora is an expert in Children's Spirituality and she has a passion for Montessori inspired forms of Religious Education and has undertaken training in both Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (levels 1 and 2) and Godly Play. Contact Caren at by email: c.collins@downandconnor.org; or telephone: 028 90 690 920 to register.

SATURDAY 18TH MAY

The Natural Family Teachers Association of Ireland are holding a one-day introductory course on Natural Family Planning – Sympto-thermal Double Check Method from 9.30 am – 4.30 pm, in Corrs Corner Hotel, Glengormley, Co. Antrim. For more details contact: deirdregleeson@medwise.ie or bcunningham29@hotmail.com

Beginning Experience - Are you suffering the pain of loss of a partner? Looking for help and understanding? Beginning Experience (a support group for widowed, separated and divorced people) meets every Wednesday evening from 8pm to 10pm in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Ave., Malone Rd., Belfast. All welcome. For details please contact Phil Tel: 028 90 207645 or Marie Tel: 078 9611 9669

Prayer Petitions Boxes

The Parish of Bangor has number of prayer groups who are constantly praying for the needs of the parish. Please keep your prayer intentions anonymous and do not put any money into the box.
All the Saints of Bangor, Pray for us.

FRIDAY 7TH - SATURDAY 8TH JUNE

St. Patrick's College, Maynooth will host a conference on the subject of the spiritual life of the child and their place in the community of faith. The keynote speaker will be Annemie Dillen from KU Leuven who will speak on: "Children in the midst? On marginality, the center and the challenges of turning social norms upside down." Register online, through Eventbrite: www.eventbrite.ie. (Search under "The Child in our Midst".)

SATURDAY 6TH JULY

SAVE THE DATE. Pro-life Rally in Dublin, A bus is being organised from Bangor/Hollywood. Contact Claire on 07740 677256. STILL HUMAN, STILL ALIVE, STILL NEED YOUR VOICE! www.rallyforlife.net

ACCORD provides counselling services for couples who may be experiencing difficulties in their relationship. We also offer Marriage Preparation courses for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. The Belfast Centre is situated in Twin Spires Centre, Northumberland Street, Belfast. Tel No-028 90339944 Email-belfast@accordni.com

TIME FOR A NEW CHALLENGE? Are you interested in becoming a Facilitator or Associate Counsellor with ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service? Would you like to share your positive married experience with engaged and married couples? For further info contact the N. Ireland Regional Office on 02890 233002 or email info@accordni.com

'Children of the Troubles' is a project by Joe Duffy and Freya McClements. They are writing a book to remember the children who died as a result of Northern Ireland's 'Troubles'. They wish to accurately and sensitively record the lives of these children, who died so young. If your family or friends lost a child – aged 16 and under – and you would like to contribute to the book, please contact Joe or Freya on 077 4358 9203 or e-mail – childrenofthetroubles@gmail.com'.

Parish Envelopes 2019-2020.

The new parish envelopes are now available for collection in the following location.

FOR THE ENTIRE PARISH
St Comgall's Parish Office – Brunswick Rd

If any parishioner does not have envelopes and would like some please contact the parish office.

Please contact the Parish Office during office hours.

If you are unable to call to the office to collect your envelopes if you telephone during office hours it can be arranged for your envelope to be left in the sacristy for you over the weekend Masses.